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SUBJECT: WHITLAM REELECTED

1. AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY INFORMED BY CANBERRA THAT PM WHITLAM'S LABOR PARTY HAS BEEN RETURNED TO OFFICE IN AUSTRALIA. LIKELY MARGIN IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ACCORDING TO MOST RECENT PRESS REPORTS IS 13 SEATS. RESULTS OF LESS IMPORTANT SENATE RACE NOT YET REPORTED.

2. WITH ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF BALLOTS COUNTED, LABOR PARTY POLLING 51.3 PERCENT OF POPULAR VOTE; UP 1.7 PERCENT OVER 1972 ELECTION. COMPUTER PREDICTIONS SHOW PROBABLE MAJORITY OF 13 FOR LABOR PARTY IN 127 MEMBER HOUSE. (HAD 9 SEAT MARGIN). LABOR POSITION CONSIDERABLY STRENGTHENED IN VICTORIA AND NEW SOUTH WALES.

3. CREDIT FOR VICTORY ALMOST SURELY WILL ACCRUE PRIMARILY

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TO WHITLAM HIMSELF, WHO BROUGHT PARTY FROM BEHIND.  
CAMPAIGN WAGED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY ON DOMESTIC ISSUES, SUCH  
AS INFLATION AND TAXES. OPPOSITION OFTEN PUT IN POSITION  
OF APPEARING TO ADVOCATE ONLY A POLICY OF "ME-TOO-ISM". RUSH

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